

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2451
ANSWERED ON:06.02.2014
RAILWAY LINES ALONG DELHI AGRA SECTION
Sugavanam Shri E.G.

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railways are aware that the progress of laying of railway lines along Delhi-Agra section has been hampered due to encroachment and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the present status of work on the said section;
- (c) the estimated losses to the Railways as a result thereof and the action taken/being taken by the Railways to remove the said encroachments; and
- (d) the other steps taken/being taken by the Railways to complete the said project in a time bound manner?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI ADHIR RANJAN CHOWDHURY)

- (a): Construction of Tughlakabad-Palwal 4th line is a sanctioned work on Delhi-Agra rail route. Problem of encroachment of jhuggies in the 5 km stretch between Ballabhgarh and Faridabad was faced during execution of the work.
- (b): All the encroachments affecting the work have been removed in June, 2013 and earthwork etc. on the affected stretch has also been taken up.
- (c): All the encroachments of jhuggies affecting Tughlakabad-Palwal 4th line work have been removed and work is in progress. As such, no loss is reported to have been incurred due to encroachment.
- (d): The work is being progressed as per availability of resources and the 4th line work between Palwal and Asaoti is expected to be completed by March, 2014.